# PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2017** 5:30 PM

Present:

James Crawford, Susan Molenaar, Karen Sanchez, Richard Schadewald, Jay Tibbetts, Joe

Van Deurzen

Excused:

None

Staff Present: Eric Pritzl, Anna Destree, Rob Gollman, Kris Kovacic, Patti Zich (minutes recorder)

# Call to Order, Welcome, Introductions and Resignation

Chairman Richard Schadewald called the meeting to order. There is currently a vacancy on the board with Harold Pfotenhauer having resigned.

#### 2. Approval / Modification of the Agenda

MOTION: To approve agenda.

Van Deurzen / Crawford

MOTION CARRIED.

### Approval of Minutes of meeting of September 26, 2017. 3.

MOTION: To approve Amended Proposed Minutes submitted by James Crawford.

Crawford / Van Deurzen

Discussion amongst the board members regarding minutes submitted by minutes recorder, Patti Zich and Amended Proposed Minutes submitted by James Crawford. Mr. Crawford indicated the Amended Proposed Minutes are a summary of the draft submitted by Patti Zich. Mr. Crawford stated in a previous motion that the minutes should not be verbatim.

MOTION: To suspend the rules to hear from interested parties.

Tibbetts / Molenaar

VOICE VOTE TAKEN: Ayes: Tibbetts, Molenaar, Schadewald, Nays: Van Deurzen, Sanchez, Crawford

MOTION FAILED

There was further discussion amongst the board members regarding the previous motion.

VOICE VOTE TAKEN ON ORIGINAL MOTION: Ayes: Van Deurzen, Sanchez, Crawford. Nays: Tibbetts, Molenaar, Schadewald

MOTION FAILED

MOTION: To approve minutes submitted by Patti Zich.

Tibbetts / Molenaar

VOICE VOTE TAKEN ON ORIGINAL MOTION: Aves: Van Deurzen, Sanchez, Tibbetts, Molenaar, Schadewald, Nays: Crawford

MOTION CARRIED.

### Presentation by Kris Kovacic – Tobacco's Disproportionate Burden 4.

Kris Kovacic presented a PowerPoint presentation entitled Tobacco's Disproportionate Burden. Kris explained and provided data how certain populations, including the homeless, members of the military, racial and ethnic populations, low-income individuals, the LGB community, those with mental health or substance abuse conditions, are disproportionately affected by tobacco use. Kris explained possible 2018 initiatives such as smoke free environments in community parks and campuses.

Erik Pritzl indicated for the mental health population, when people are admitted to inpatient at the CTC they are required to screen for tobacco use and if they are interested, they will work with them on cessation products while they are there. He indicated on the outpatient side he suggested that Kris talk with the behavioral health manager see what information sessions we could do there.

### 5. Comments from the Public

- a. State name and address for the record
- b. Comments will be limited to five minutes
- c. The Board's role is to listen and not discuss comments nor take action on those comments at this meeting.

James Vanden Boogart, President, Brown County Citizens for Responsible Wind Energy (BCCRWE), Holly Mor Road, Greenleaf. Jim stated BCCRWE is meticulously careful about documenting everything they submit to the Board of Health. Jim indicates his group's purpose is to advocate for responsible wind siting.

William Acker, Acker & Associates, Nicolet Drive, Green Bay. Bill stated he takes great effort to make sure anything he provides at meetings is the most accurate information and is thoroughly reviewed. He states if he cannot support the information, he will not submit.

Barbara Vanden Boogart, Vice President, Brown County Citizens for Responsible Wind Energy (BCCRWE), Holly Mor Road, Greenleaf, WI. Barb indicated they are meticulous in their research and spend hundreds of hours because of their passion to protect the people. She indicated the people that support them are citizens in Brown County who are affected by this and they do not have a corporation supporting them.

## 6. Community Health Assessment update

Anna stated this was an assessment to gauge from the community members present what they felt our health priorities were using the data presented that day. Anna indicated the Green Bay Press Gazette published an editorial on November 5, 2017, which they asked for feedback/comments on the health issues selected and what the public sees as priorities. Anna is waiting for the results of those comments. The priorities selected were Drug and Alcohol, Obesity/Physical Activity and Nutrition, Mental Wellness Framework, Mental Health, Environmental Health, Obesity/Physical Activity, Create a Culture of Safety, and Oral Health. Mr. Schadewald would like regular reporting on these priorities. Anna will bring that request back to the steering committee.

## 7. Rat Pass Through Grant Discussion

Anna stated at the County Board meeting it was proposed and accepted that \$5,000 would go into Public Health's budget for rat abatement. The Board of Health members had many unanswered questions as to how this pass through grant would be handled. Erik Pritzl will look further into what was specifically asked of Brown County. Rob Gollman stated most municipalities deal with vector control. They have trained individuals, usually in their housing inspection division, that deal with property maintenance issues, eliminating harborage conditions and also eliminating the food source, such as trash, bird feeders, dog dish, etc. Rob states it is not the health department that develops a vector control program it is the municipalities.

# 8. Environmental Division update

Rob states next year we will be billing through our inspection software. Rob stated licensing revenues are on track. There are two Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection Administrative rules that are open, Chapter ATCP 74 (Administrative Rule that regulates local agents) and Chapter ATCP 75 (Administrative Rules that regulate licensing and inspection of retail food establishments). Rob stated the framework for our ServSafe certification program has been established for rollout in 2018. Rob stated a few challenges in 2018 will be 2017 Assembly Bill 507 which will allow minors to operate temporary stands without a permit or license.

# 9. Nursing Division update

Ann Steinberger was not present and provided a written report.

## 10. Health Officer's Report

Anna stated one of the 2018 initiatives is a quality improvement plan which is a step towards accreditation. In an upcoming meeting, Anna will give a presentation sharing our plan to become nationally accredited. Anna commended staff and gave a report on the foodborne outbreak at the farmers market and how the stand and vendor were identified for causing the outbreak.

## 11. Receive new information on wind turbines – Standing Item

William Acker submitted "A Comparison of Two Wind Turbine Projects" dated Nov. 14, 2017, which shows side by side comparisons with the Shirley Wind Project and Hardscrabble Project in Herkimer County, New York. Mr. Acker stated there is a court case which is in the final stages of settlement in the Hardscrabble Wind Power Project.

Jim Vanden Boogart – Jim Vanden Boogart submitted a paper entitled "Wind Turbine Syndrome: The Impact of Wind Farms on Suicide," by Eric Zou dated October 2017, which he read the Abstract to the Board of Health. Jim also submitted a letter dated November 14, 2017 to the Board of Health members. Included in that letter is a reproduced draft of a letter Duke Energy submitted to Brown County Board of Supervisors dated 9-20-17 which is represented on the left side of the page. On the right side of the page, Jim Vanden Boogart has written his concerns regarding information contained in that letter, which he read to the Board of Health.

Jim Crawford had concerns with Robert Rand's letter submitted on October 17, 2017 to the Brown County boards in which Mr. Rand criticizes Duke Energy, Dr. McCunney and the Health Canada study, specifically when reviewing his field notes while at Shirley Wind in 2012 and his September 12 public comments of this year. Mr. Crawford thinks the Board should follow up on the suggestion of Dr. McCunney that the Board have them see their physician and find out the true problem.

Dr. Tibbetts indicates people have gone to their doctor and their doctors' say universally they cannot find anything. Dr. Tibbetts states he has been to Dave Enz's property on numerous occasions and has witnessed a number of things that are unusual and documented. He states you will not find that in the office and very few physicians will go out and spend time observing what is going on.

## 12. Correspondences

Patti indicated Robert Rand submitted two letters, one on October 17, 2017 and the second dated October 20, 2017 which is a corrected copy of the October 17, 2017 letter. Harold Pfotenhauer submitted his resignation letter on October 5, 2017, effective immediately.

# 13. All Other Business Authorized by Law

Mr. Schadewald addressed the conduct of all parties at Board of Health meetings. He would like future meetings to remain factual and with due respect.

## 14. Adjournment / Next Meeting Schedule

MOTION: To adjourn meeting at 8:02pm Van Deurzen / Crawford

**MOTION CARRIED** 

NEXT MEETING: January 9, 2018 5:00 PM